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In re Application of: BRADY, et al. Application No. 09/936,998 Filed: February 7, 2002

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DECISION ON PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition, filed on December 16, 2004 under M.P.E.P. § 708.02(X), inventions relating to HIV/AIDS and Cancer.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The petition meets the requirements of MPEP § 708.02 (X).

The application file is being forwarded to the Examiner for accelerated examination in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 708.02.

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